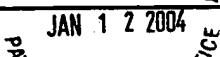


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 REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL	<p>Application Number: 09/665,940</p> <p>Filing Date: September 21, 2000</p> <p>First Named Inventor: Chishio Koshimizu</p> <p>Group Art Unit: 1765</p> <p>Examiner: L. UMEZ ERONINI</p> <p>Attorney Docket Number: 07553.0008</p> <p>Attorney Customer Number: 22,852</p>
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See "Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice," Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [number] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)

b. Other _____

3. Fees

- a. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

i. \$770.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 01 FC:1301 770.00 0P

ii. Petition for Extension of Time - Two Months: \$310.00 (\$110.00 having already been paid with the Petition for Extension of Time - One Month filed with the Amendment After Final dated December 4, 2003).

iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$1080.00 enclosed.

c. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Michael W. Kim	Reg. No.: 51,880
Signature: 	Date: January 12, 2004

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